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1. An inorganic compound sol comprising a dispersion medium and, dispersed therein, inorganic compound particulates whose surface has been modified by an organic compound exhibiting a molecular polarizability of from 2×10^{-40} to $850 \times 10^{-40} \text{ C}^2\text{m}^2\text{J}^{-1}$.
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2. The inorganic compound sol as claimed in claim 1, wherein the inorganic compound particulates are silica particulates.
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3. The inorganic compound sol as claimed in claim 1, wherein the inorganic compound particulates are composite oxide particulates composed of silica and at least one inorganic oxide other than silica.
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4. The inorganic compound sol as claimed in claim 1, wherein the dispersion medium has a dielectric constant of from 10 to 85.

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